GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

CA,F&CS Department –National Food Security Act, 2013 - Constitution of Vigilance Committees at various levels for ensuring transparency and accountability for proper functioning of the Targeted Public Distribution System- Reconstitution of Vigilance Committees at State/District/Fair Price Shop (Rural)/Fair Price Shop(Urban) levels – Orders - Issued.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES(CS.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.16 **Dated:25.07.2023**

Read the following:-

1. G.O.Ms.No.16, CA,F&CS(CS-I) Dept., dt.27.10.2017
2. G.O.Ms.No.07, CA,F&CS(CS-I) Dept., dt.10.05.2018
3. Commissioner of Civil Supplies (E- 2097656)

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ORDER:

As per section 29(1) of National Food Security Act, 2013 and Cl.11 of the Targeted Public Distribution (Control) Order, 2015, for ensuring transparency and proper functioning of the Public Distribution System and accountability of the functionaries in such system, every State Government shall set up Vigilance Committee, at the State, District, Block and F.P. Shop level consisting such persons as may be prescribed by the State Govt., giving due representation to the Local Authorities, SC, ST, Women and Destitute persons or persons with disability. The main functions of the Vigilance Committees are:

I. Regularly supervise the implementation of all schemes under the NFS Act, 2013
II. Inform the District Grievance Redressal Officer, in writing, of any violation of the provisions of the Act; and
III. Inform the District Grievance Redressal Officer, in writing, of any malpractice or misappropriation of funds found by it.

2. In the G.O.s 1st and 2nd read above, Government have constituted Vigilance Committees at State, District, Mandal and at F.P. Shop level, to monitor implementation of the NFS Act, 2013.

3. The Commissioner of Civil Supplies, A.P., Vijayawada in the reference 3rd read above has stated that, Government have extended the last mile distribution from F.P shop and implementing the distribution of Essential commodities under Public Distribution System (PDS) at the door steps of beneficiaries with due authentication through Mobile Dispensing Units (MDU) in the entire State. In order to monitor distribution/ supply of commodities at the

door step of beneficiaries/ Institutions, the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, A.P Vijayawada has proposed certain modifications for the Vigilance Committees to include F.P shop dealers, MDU operators, Chairperson of School Management Committee, Village Revenue Officer(VRO) etc., and requested the Government for Re-Constitution of Vigilance Committees at State/District/Fair Price Shop (Rural)/ Fair Price Shop(Urban) level for ensuring transparency and accountability for proper functioning of the Targeted Public Distribution System and to monitor the implementation of the National Food Security Act,2013.

4. Keeping in view of the guidelines issued in the National Food Security Act, 2013, Targeted Public Distribution System(Control) Order,2015 and based on the proposal of the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, A.P., Vijayawada, Government after careful examination of the matter, and in super session of the orders issued in the G.O 1st &2nd read above, hereby issue orders for Re-constitution of Vigilance Committees at State /District/Fair Price Shop (Rural)/Fair Price Shop (Urban) levels with the following composition as detailed below:

I. State Level Vigilance Committee

a) Minister for Consumer Affairs, Food & Civil Supplies–**Chairman**

b) Commissioner of Civil Supplies & Ex-Officio Secretary to Govt., CA, F & CS Department -**Vice-Chairman**

c) Director of Civil Supplies-**Member-Convenor**

Members:

d) Two non-official representative each from the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, women and destitute persons or persons with disability, who are member of N.G.O./Social activist in the field of food security, health and nutrition.
e) Representatives of Consumer Voluntary Organizations from each District
f) President, F.P. Shop Dealer's Welfare Federation of Andhra Pradesh
g) State President, A.P. State Rice Millers Association.
h) President, MDU operators Association.
i) Principal Secretary, PR & RD Dept.
j) Prl. Secretary, Municipal Admn.& Urban Development Dept.
k) Commissioner of Marketing.
l) Director General, Vigilance &Enforcement.
m) Member Secretary, A.P.S.C./S.T. Commission.
n) Member Secretary, A.P. Food Commission.
o) Commissioner, Medical & Health (Food Safety)
p) Controller, Legal Metrology.
q) Commissioner & Director, School Education.
r) Commissioner, Information & Public Relations.
s) Commissioner, Women Development& Child Welfare, Guntur.
t) Commissioner, Social Welfare.

u) Senior Scientists from NIN.
v) Regional Director, Quality Controller Cell, Ministry of Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution, Govt. of India at Hyderabad.
w) Director, Bureau of Indian Standards.
x) General Manager(AP Region),Food Corporation of India, Vijayawada.
y) Vice Chairman & Managing Director, AP State Civil Supplies Corpn. Ltd.
z) Managing Director, Andhra Pradesh Co-op.Oil seeds Growers Federation Ltd.,(AP OILFED).
aa) M.D., A.P. Marketing Federation Ltd.
bb) Managing Director, Girijan Coop. Corporation Ltd., Visakhapatnam.
cc) Director, Institute of Preventive Medicine.
dd) Sr. Divisional Manager, Indian Oil Corp., Vijayawada.
ee) Chief Regional Manager &State Level Coordinator for Oil industry, HPCL., Vijayawada.
ff) Divisional Manager, Bharat Petroleum corporation Ltd., Vijayawada.
gg) Director, A.P.S.S.A.A.T (Society for Social Audit, Accountability and Transparency- Andhra Pradesh)

II. District Level Vigilance Committee

a) Collector-**Chairman**
b) Chairperson, Zilla-Parishad-**Co-Chairman**
c) Joint Collector - **Vice- Chairman**

Members:

d) All Hon'ble MP, MLAs, MLCs, of the District.
e) Mayor of the Corporations–Special Invitees.
f) Four (4) members of the Zilla Parishad (out of whom Two shall be Women, two members belonging to SC/ST including(1)woman).
g) Director of Board of the AP State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd., belonging to the concerned District.
h) The Chairman and the members from the Districts nominated by Government of India for State Level Consultative Committee of the Food Corporation of India(AP Region).
i) One Representative from the District Chambers of Commerce and Industry sponsored by the Association.
j) One representative of the F.P Shop Dealers Association.
k) One representative of the MDU operators Association.
l) Three representatives of the Consumer Organization including one woman.
m) Three social activists of local area with appropriate stature including one woman from SC/ ST.
n) One destitute person or person with disability.
o) One representative of the Self Help Group.
p) Two Members from Print and electronic Media.
q) District Civil Supplies Officer --- **Member-Convener**
r) District President, District Rice Millers Association.
s) Joint/Deputy Director, Marketing.
t) District Manager, APSCSCL.

u) Project Director, District Women &Child Development Agency.
v) District Educational Officer.
w) Deputy Director, SC & BC Welfare and District Tribal Welfare Officer.
x) District Level Co-Coordinator for Oil Industry.
y) Asst. Controller Legal Metrology.
z) Asst. Food Controller, Food Safety Department.

III. Mandal Level Vigilance Committee.

a) Tahsildar-**Chairman**
b) Chairperson of the Mandal Praja Parishad-**Co-Chairman**
c) Mayor of the Corporation in urban Mandals- **Special Invitee**

Members:

d) Chairperson of the Municipality.
e) Members of ZPTC belonging to the Mandal.
f) Three members of the Mandal Praja Parishad(Two members shall be from SC& ST including one woman).
g) One representative of the F.P Shop dealers Association.
h) One representative of the MDU operators Association.
i) One representative of LPG distributors Association.
j) Two representatives from the Consumer Voluntary Organizations including one woman.
k) One representative of Self Help Group.
l) Two Persons from Print & Electronic Media.
m) Three social activists of local area with appropriate stature including one woman from SC/ST.
n) One destitute person or person with disability.
o) Mandal Development Officer(MPDO).
p) Mandal Educational Officer.
q) Dy.Tahsildar O/o. Tahsildar/ASO(Circle)-- **Member-Convener**
r) Supervisor, Integrated Child Development Services.
s) Assistant Social Welfare Officer.
t) Three Teacher Guides of the local consumer clubs.
u) Inspector, Legal Metrology.

IV. Fair price shop (Rural) level Vigilance Committee

a. Sarpanch of the Village: - **Chairman**

Members:

b. Member of MPTC .
c. Ward member of FP shop area.
d. Four members from the Panchayat.
(Two women, one each from SC & ST members including one woman).
e. Three representatives of the local Self Help Groups(SHG) to be nominated by the M.P.D.O.

f. One destitute person or person with disability to be nominated by the Sarpanch.
g. Five ration card holders attached to the respective FP shop (Two women & one from SC& ST including one women).
h. Panchayat Secretary .
i. Angana Wadi worker(AWW).
j. Wardens of Social Welfare Hostel of SC/ST/BC.
k. Head Masters of Govt. Schools in the Village.
l. Inspector, Legal Metrology.
m. One farmer nominated by Gram Panchayat.
n. F.P. Shop Dealer.
o. MDU operator attached to the F.P.Shop.
p. Chairperson of School Management Committee.
q. Village Revenue Officer(VRO): **Member Convenor**

V. F.P Shop (urban) Level Vigilance Committee

a. Corporator of Municipal Corporation / Councillor of Municipality in whose jurisdiction F.P.Shop is situated: **Chairman**

Members:

b. Two representatives from women SHG.
c. Two social activists of local area with appropriate stature including one woman to be nominated by the Municipal Commissioner.
d. Two representatives belonging to SC & ST with appropriate stature in the FP shop area.
e. One destitute person or person with disability to be nominated by Corporator of Municipal corporation/Councillor or Municipality.
f. Five card holders of respective FP shop (among them two shall be Womenfrom SC/ST).
g. Dy. Tahsildar (CS)/ Revenue / Checking Inspector.
h. Supervisor, ICDS (Integrated Child Development Services).
i. Concerned Assistant Social Welfare Officer.
j. Concerned Mandal Educational Officer.
k. Head Masters of Govt. schools in the area.
l. F.P. Shop Dealer.
m. MDU operator attached to the F.P. Shop.
n. Chairperson of School Management Committee.
o. Village Revenue Officer (VRO): -- **Member Convenor**

5. The Vigilance Committees Re-constitute at at State /District/Fair Price Shop (Rural)/Fair Price Shop (Urban) levels at para (4)shall meet as per the following periodicity:

Periodicity of all vigilance Committees

Level of the Vigilance Committee	Periodicity for conducting the meetings
State	On quarterly basis or as often as is necessary (First week in the month of Junuary, April, July and October)
District	On quarterly basis or as often as is necessary (3rdweek of February, May, August and November)
Mandal	On quarterly basis or as often as is necessary (3rdweek of March, June, September and December)
Village	On quarterly basis or as often as is necessary (3rdweek of January, April, July and October)
F.P.Shop(Urban)	On quarterly basis or as often as is necessary (4th week of January, April, July and October)

6. The Commissioner of Civil Supplies, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada and all the District Collectors are requested to take necessary action in the matter immediately.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

H. ARUN KUMAR
EX-OFFICIO SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To,

The Commissioner of Civil Supplies, A.P. Vijayawada.
The Director of Civil Supplies, A.P. Vijayawada
The Director Women Development & Child Welfare Department, Guntur
The Director Social Welfare
The CDMA
The Commissioner, Panchayati Raj &Rural Development

The Commissioner, VS&WS
The CEO SERP
All the District Collectors in the State.
All the Joint Collectors in the State.
Copy to:
All the District Supply Officers in the State.
The Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.
The P.S to Chief Secretary to Government.
The Special Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Minister.
The P.S. to Minister for Food and Civil Supplies, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The Commissioner, Printing and Stationery, A.P. Vijayawada with a request to Publish the G.O. in AP Gazette.
SF/SC.

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER.